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TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, CG

SUBJECT: ZAIRE AMBASSADOR TRIP TO KINSHASA

1. AMBASSADOR KASONGO CALLED ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY WALKER NOVEMBER 10 IN CONNECTION WITH HIS RETURN TO KINSHASA NOVEMBER 15 VIA TWO DAY BRUSSELS STOPOVER.

2. KASONGO SAID THAT WHILE OSTENSIBLE, PUBLIC EXPLANATION HIS TRIP WAS TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL CONGRESS OF MPR, MOBUTU HAD SUMMONED HIM THERE IN RESPONSE TO KASONGO'S CABLE CONCERNING VISIT OF CODEL PRICE. KASONGO SAID HE HAD UNDERLINED GROWING IMPORTANCE OF CONGRESSIONAL ROLE IN US/ZAIRIAN RELATIONSHIP.

3. WALKER CONGRATULATED KASONGO ON HIS PERCEPTIVENESS IN REGARD TO IMPORTANCE OF CODEL TRIPS AND GENERAL CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT ROLE. WALKER SUGGESTED THAT KASONGO COORDINATE CLOSELY WITH EMBASSY TO ENSURE MAXIMUM BENEFITS ACCRUE FROM VISIT.

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4. COMMENT: KASONGO HAS GROWN IMPRESSIVELY SINCE ARRIVAL TWO MONTHS AGO. HE IS ATTEMPTING TO BREAK OUT OF MORE TRADITIONAL MOLD BY ACQUAINTING HIMSELF CLOSELY WITH DYNAMICS OF AMERICAN DOMESTIC SCENE THROUGH CULTIVATION OF WIDE RANGE OF CONTACTS IN CONGRESS EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND PRESS. WHILE FROM OUTSET WE HAVE OFFERED APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE INITIATIVE HAS BEEN

ENTIRELY HIS OWN. HE HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH A NUMBER
OF KEY CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS AND THEIR STAFF AND
SEEMS CLEARLY TO CONCEIVE HIS AMBASSADORIAL ROLE IN
BROAD, NON-TRADITIONAL VEIN. VANCE

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